

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Jean-Christophe Ehrstrom et al

Application No.: 10/849,525

Confirmation No.: 5569

Filed: May 20, 2004

Art Unit: 1725

For: MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR
FRICTION WELDED ALUMINUM ALLOY
PARTS

Examiner: Aboagye, Michael

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

Application No. 10/849,525

Docket No.: 2901683.19

Applicant submits herewith a credit card authorization for the amount of \$180. However, if an additional fee is deemed necessary, please charge our deposit account no. 11-0553 under order number 2901683.19, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: October 12, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By 
Susan E. Shaw McBee

Registration No.: 39,294

Kening Li, Ph.D.

Registration No.: 44,872

Customer Number:

59554

BAKER DONELSON BEARMAN CALDWELL
& BERKOWITZ PC

555 11th Street, NW

6th Floor

Washington, DC 20004

202-508-3479 phone

202-508-3402 fax

Attorneys for Applicant

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO				Complete if Known	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Application Number	10/849,525
				Filing Date	May 20, 2004
				First Named Inventor	Jean-Christophe Ehrstrom
				Art Unit	1725
				Examiner Name	M. Aboagye
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	2901683.19

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
	AA	6,168,067	01-02-2001	Waldron et al	
	AB	5,211,910	05-18-1993	Pickens et al	
	AC	5,560,789	10-01-1996	Sainfort et al	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
	BA	EP 1334793	08-13-2003	Boeing Co		
	BB	JP 2000 237882	09-05-2000	Sky Alum Co Ltd		
	BC	EP 0936278	08-18-1999	Hoogovens Aluminium Profiltech		

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--